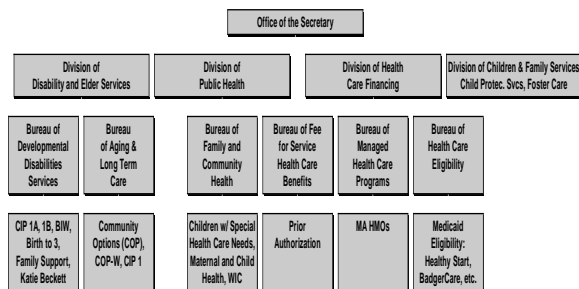


Wisconsin Programs and Resources

for Children with Special Health Care Needs
(CSHCN)

Birth to 3 Program Wisline
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Department of Health & Family Services



Division of Disability & Elder Services

Birth to 3 Program
Family Support Program
Katie Beckett Medicaid Eligibility Option
Home and Community Based Waivers:
CIP1A, CIP1B, Brain Injury Waiver, Children's
Long Term Support Waivers (CLTS Waivers)
Community Options Program

FOR MORE INFO...

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/bdds/index.htm>

Birth to 3 Program

Eligibility

- 25% in one area of development, or atypical development
- For children up to three years of age

Services

- Service plan (IFSP) is individually with team of family, service coordinator, and professional staff within 45 days of your initial contact
- Services are delivered where your child typically spends time (home, child care, etc)
- Entitlement; county is required to provide what your child is identified as needing on IFSP

Cost share

- Based on family size & income
- Built in allowance for child with special health care needs

Family Support Program

Eligibility

- Child with significant disability (physical, mental, or emotional limitation seriously restricting the child's ability to carry out daily activities such as self-care, learning, communications, mobility and self-direction)
- under the age of 21, and living at home.

Services

- Up to \$3,000 a year in flexible state funding
- Not entitlement; there is fixed funding at state level, many counties have lengthy waiting lists.

Cost share

- Based on income
- Families may deduct expenditures related to child's special health care needs.

Katie Beckett Program

***NOTE! Katie Beckett = Medicaid eligibility!**

Eligibility

- The child is under 19 years of age and determined to be disabled by standards in the Social Security Act;
- Requires a level of care at home that is typically provided in a hospital or nursing facility;
- Can be provided safe and appropriate care in the family home;
- As an individual, does not have income or assets in his or her name in excess of the current standards for a child living in an institution; and
- Does not incur a cost at home to the Medicaid Program that exceeds the cost Medicaid would pay if the child were in an institution.

Katie Beckett Program

Benefits:

- Child will receive a Medicaid card which can be used to pay for services and equipment allowed under the Wisconsin Medicaid Program.
- All rules and benefits for card-covered services for the Wisconsin Medicaid Program apply to children who receive their MA card under the Katie Beckett Program. The Division of Health Financing administers the Medicaid Program and is responsible for ongoing assistance to families regarding coverage and benefit questions.

CLTS Waivers

Eligibility

- Same as Katie Beckett Program

Services

- Broad array of community based supports, like respite, adaptive aids, communication aids, daily living skills training, intensive in-home autism treatment services, home modifications
- Only state funded slots are for autism services
- Counties may match to federal funds for all other services
- As long as child remains eligible, must continue receiving services up to 22.

Division of Health Care Financing

Recipient Services Hotline (Medicaid Eligibility)

1-800-362-3002

Ombudsmen (appeals, complaints for HMO recipients) 1-800-760-0001

Provider Services General Hotline

1-800-947-9627

FOR MORE INFO...

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/programs/healthcare.htm>

Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

Eligibility

- People in financial need who are 65 or older or people of any age who are blind or disabled and residents of Wisconsin.

Services

- SSI is a monthly cash benefit paid by the federal Social Security Administration (SSA) and state DHFS (currently about \$460 a month)
- Recipients also receive Medicaid and other social service benefits

FOR MORE INFO...

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/ssi/>

Division of Public Health

Title V Federal Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Block Grant

- Children with Special Health Care Needs (CSHCN)
- Family Health

Healthy birth outcomes & optimal development, safe, quality, inclusive daycare for ALL children

FOR MORE INFO...

<http://www.dhfs.state.wi.us/aboutDHFS/dph/dph.htm>

Regional CSHCN Centers

Provide:

- Information and Referral
- Parent to Parent Linkage
- Service Coordination for Children not Otherwise Eligible for this Service

FOR MORE INFO...

<http://www.mch-hotlines.org/>

CSHCN Centers' Family Focus

Paid parent consultants on staff
Parent to parent support
Parent training & leadership
Help accessing & maintaining needed health,
education & social services
Health benefits counseling
Help navigating service bureaucracies
Printed & online information

Division of Public Health

Women, Infants & Children (WIC)
Nutrition Program
Immunizations
Communicable Diseases

FOR MORE INFO...

<http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/WIC/>

Wisconsin First Step

1-800-FIRSTSTEP

24-hour a day, 7-day a week hotline to
assist parents of children with
disabilities (parents on staff during
business hours)

Questions?

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